



CFC Newsletter

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Save the Date:

CFC Board Meeting
Friday, Aug. 17, 2007
1:30 – 3:30
Screen Actors Guild
5757 Wilshire Blvd.
Los Angeles, CA

California Film
Commission
7080 Hollywood Blvd.
Hollywood, CA
90028
323-860-2690
www.film.ca.gov

CFC ASSISTS COMMERCIAL and FEATURE WITH FREEWAY CLOSURES

With the assistance of Caltrans, the California Highway Patrol, the City of Long Beach and the Port of Long Beach, the CFC was able to allow total closure on portions of the 103/47 Freeway on several consecutive weekends during April for a studio feature film.

A Reminder: For any active freeway closure requests, the CFC requires a mandatory meeting(s) with production company representatives including the director, producer, production manager, first assistant director and location manager and Caltrans, CHP, Fire Safety (if stunts or pyro), and the CFC Deputy Director or Director and the local authorities, if any, to be impacted. Please allow a minimum of four weeks when requesting permits for high impact closures in order to have time for the necessary meetings involving all the stakeholders.

CFC OUTREACH TO SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CITIES

Responding to the invitations of the Regional Film Office Partners and city officials in the City of Palmdale, the deputy director met several times with city attorneys and elected officials to discuss their proposed draft film ordinance. The ordinance was passed with many of the amendments suggested by the CFC on March 5, 2007. It is not yet published on the city website. Check with the Palmdale Film Office for new provisions for filming in the City of Palmdale.

The CFC office is currently working on new or revised film ordinances with the Cities of Mendocino, Lancaster, Moreno Valley, Chino Hills, and Huntington Park.

CFC QUARTERLY BOARD MEETING UPDATE

On May 9th, the CFC held its quarterly Board Meeting and annual Legislative Day in Sacramento. Two new CFC board members, Assemblymember Karen Bass and Senator Ron Calderon discussed their pending incentive bills. Members of the CFC board and other industry stakeholders met with legislators of both parties. The discussions focused on the pending legislative efforts to initiate incentives for motion picture production in the state.

The next CFC Board meeting is scheduled for August 17, 2007, at 1:30. It will be held at the Screen Actors Guild, located at 5757 Wilshire Blvd. (East of Fairfax).

For more information, please contact Joseph Cruz, 323/860-2960 x170.

FIRE SEASON UPDATE

For filming near any wild or brush covered areas, please contact the State Fire Marshal Motion Picture Unit at 213-700-5884 or your local fire department to determine current fire conditions and availability of Fire Safety Officers to monitor your filming activities. To view current fire information please go to: www.fire.ca.gov

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LOCATIONS

CALTRANS District Five Alert for Monterey and San Luis Obispo Counties

Caltrans District Five has informed the CFC that summertime restrictions on any filming activities that include traffic control on Highway One in San Luis Obispo and Monterey Counties between Carpoforo Creek (SLO-1-71.3) and San Jose Creek (MON-1-71.2) are in effect between Memorial Day weekend and Labor Day. The District has historically honored a prohibition on traffic control within this segment of Highway One at the request of the coastal community and the County of Monterey.

CFC Emergency Numbers

As a convenience, the CFC has revised the after business hours office voicemail to include the CHP emergency contact number in the initial outgoing message. However, we remind all that both this number and the general CFC mobile number are for **true emergencies only**. Unfortunately, we must report an increasing abuse of these phone numbers by persons seeking to secure permits and "call time changes" for CHP assignments after normal business hours.

NEWS ARTICLES

See attached